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11. (U) This is an action message. See para 2.

12. (SBU) The following statement is provided for delivery
by USDel at the Forum for Security Cooperation (FSC) Opening

of Session Plenary on 20 January 2010:

Begin text:

Good morning, Mr. Chairman,
On behalf of the United States, I congratulate Greece on its
assumption of the FSC Chairmanship and welcome you to the
Chair. With the professionalism shown by Greece during its
OSCE Chairmanship last year, there is no doubt that we are in
very good hands. As always, the United States looks forward
to working with all of our FSC colleagues toward our shared
goals of promoting security and stability in the OSCE area.
The United States continues to view the Forum for Security
Cooperation as a critical forum for advancing the
political-military dimension of European security and we are
ready to turn our efforts to the work awaiting us in 2010.

Mr. Chairman, FSC Colleagues,
The United States continues to embrace firmly a comprehensive
approach to security in Europe that encompasses the
political-military, economic, and environmental and human
dimensions. And in the face of the dynamic and changing
nature of European security, particularly in the context of
the ongoing Corfu Process, we must ensure that the FSC
remains a central forum in our efforts to strengthen our
politico-military toolbox to meet the challenges of the 21st
Century.

In Athens, Deputy Secretary Steinberg noted that the
confidence- and security-building measures contained in the
Vienna Document were being implemented with a high degree of
success and that we looked forward to discussing ways to make
this instrument more effective. We will be interested to
hear from our partners about their suggestions to strengthen
stability and security and increase transparency, cooperation
and confidence within the OSCE area. Our work within the
Corfu Process adds another level for consideration as we
carefully evaluate how new ideas can support our work on
European security more generally. Our activity must be
tempered with a firm understanding of the larger context
within which we operate.

The negotiation and implementation of Confidence- and
Security-Building Measures are this body's bread-and-butter,
and we note that a number of proposals are currently awaiting
the Forum's attention and action. We look forward to a
thorough evaluation of the merits of each proposal.

Furthermore, we want to continue our efforts to further intensify the Security Dialogue, in order to better address key security issues in the OSCE region, and explore means to improve implementation of the Code of Conduct on Politico-Military Aspects of Security. We also look forward to building on the momentum of the last session with regard to UNSCR 1540. We anticipate these discussions will evolve productively in the coming months.

The United States wishes success to the incoming chair, and continues to assure our FSC partners of our cooperation and support in the coming session. Mr. Chairman, I request that this statement be attached to the Journal of the Day.

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